Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 22 Apr 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 23 Apr 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 21 Apr 2021 at 16:20 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mostly settled conditions through the coming days but lower for cloud amounts and generally early next week as high pressure begins to decline.

Headline for Thursday 22 Apr 2021: Mainly dry with some good sunny spells. Occasionally fresh westerly winds

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 22 Apr 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	<05%	10%

Forecast for Thursday 22 Apr 2021

Weather: Mainly dry with clear or sunny spells, the best of these across more southern ranges. Risk of a few spots of rain or drizzle, especially in the north, through the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 100% through much of the day but falling to around 40% in the north from late afternoon.

Visibility: Occasional or periods of cloud above 600m across the north from late afternoon, otherwise cloud above the summits. Away from cloud, visibility very good or excellent with good panoramic views of surrounding mountains, falling a little in any evening rain or drizzle.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	12/13 S	15/17 SW	16/18 SW	15/19 SW	13/19 W	15/21 W	15/19 W	14/16 SW	13/15 SW
900	10/12 S	13/15 SW	15/17 SW	14/18 SW	13/19 W	15/21 W	13/17 W	13/15 SW	12/14 SW
600	5/7 S	7/9 SW	9/11 SW	10/13 SW	12/17 W	13/19 W	10/14 W	8/10 SW	7/9 SW
300	1/5 S	2/8 SW	2/10 SW	3/10 SW	6/15 W	7/17 SW	4/12 W	2/8 SW	2/8 SW
Glen	1/2 NE	2/3 N	2/4 N	3/7 SW	7/13 W	7/13 SW	4/8 SW	2/5 E	2/4 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-4	0/-5	0/-5	2/-3	4/-0	4/-0	4/-0	3/-1	2/-2
900	2/-3	1/-4	1/-4	3/-2	5/1	5/1	5/1	4/0	3/-1
600	3/1	2/-1	3/-1	5/2	7/4	8/5	7/5	6/4	5/2
300	3/2	3/2	3/2	8/7	11/10	11/10	10/9	8/7	6/5
Glen	4/3	3/2	5/4	10/10	13/12	13/12	12/12	9/9	8/7
Freezing Level*	800m	800m	1000m	1200m	1300m	1400m	1500m	1400m	1400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Widespread frost at dawn in southern glens. Strong sunshine giving the risk of sunburn, despite the sunshine feeling rather cold on the summits.

Forecast for Friday 23 Apr 2021

Weather: A rather cloudy day with perhaps a few spots of rain or drizzle over northern hills and mountains. Best of any sunnier spells expected south of Torridon, where high UV levels bring a risk of sunburn.

Maximum wind: Mainly westerly or northwesterly around 10mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 40% in north improving later, but close to 100% in south

Visibility: Occasional or periods of cloud in north above about 600m, cloud breaking and lifting later. Away from cloud, visibility very good, falling a little in any rain or drizzle.

Temperature: **Glens:** Close to freezing at first in southern glens rising to plus 13 or 14 Celsius by day
At 800m: Around plus 3 rising to plus 8 Celsius by day
Freezing level: Above the summits

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